



# SULLY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 19/06/26

Dear Parents/Carers,

Another busy week ended on a high with the PTA's "Marvellous Men" shopping extravaganza. Pupils from Nursery to Year 6 always enjoy choosing gifts, and this year was no different — there are sure to be many happy faces this weekend. A huge thank you to the hardworking PTA and the parent/carer volunteers who organised and ran the event; your time, commitment and effort are greatly appreciated by everyone at school.

Year 5 have completed their swimming sessions at Cardiff International Pool. Mrs Gorwill reports that all pupils made good gains in confidence, stamina and stroke technique. They also took part in water-safety and emergency-response work, and demonstrated excellent behaviour throughout — da iawn, boys and girls; you represented Sully Primary brilliantly.

The whole school also welcomed visitors from Penarth Leisure Centre for a water-safety talk. Pupils learned how to judge when water is safe to play in and the rules for freshwater, seawater and swimming pools. We hope they keep this important knowledge as they move through school and beyond.

This week Mr Jarvis took our football and rugby teams to separate festivals. The pupils performed superbly, displaying excellent skills and brilliant sportsmanship throughout — da iawn to everyone involved!

On Monday our younger children enjoyed a fun-filled "Scoot Fit" day. Reception to Year 3 spent the day learning and practising scooting skills to music, and the top playground was buzzing with activity.

Next week we are due to hold our sports day events. The forecast currently shows very high temperatures, but weather can be unpredictable. If, on the day, we consider it too hot for pupils to take part safely we will either:

- a) Run a shortened programme with fewer races and keep pupils in shaded areas within the school grounds between events; or
- b) Postpone the events to the following week.

We will make a final decision on the day and notify parents/carers as early as possible. Please ensure your child brings a water bottle, sun hat and sun cream applied before arriving at school.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Andrea Waddington & Staff



**Our attendance this week has been 91.84%  
which is well below our target of 95.1%**

## Dates for your diary...

Dates added/amended this week are in **red**

23-06-26 Class ALB & JE Odeon Cinema Trip

24-06-26 Y5 Beach School – 1.30pm – 3pm

25-06-26 (Change of date from 19/06) Reception class Techniquet trip –

**Please consent on Parent Pay**

25-06-26 PS2 (Year 1, 2 and 3) Sports Day (9.30am - 11.30am)

25-06-26 PS3 (Year 4, 5 and 6) Sports Day (1.30pm - 3.00pm)

25-06-26 Stanwell Open Evening

26-06-26 Reception Sports Day (9.30am - 10.30am)

26-06-26 Nursery Sports Day (11.00am - 11.30am and 2.45pm - 3.15pm)

26-06-26 Stanwell Transition Day – **Parents to drop off at 9.15 and parents to pick up at 2pm – lunch provided**

30-06-26 Back up Sports Day Reception (9.30am – 10.30am)

30-06-26 Back up Sports Day Nursery (11am – 11.30am and 2.45pm – 3.15pm)

**01-07-26 Y6 PE Day at Stanwell School – Parents drop off at 9.15am and coach return to school at 12pm – Please consent on Parent Pay**

02-07-26 Back up Sports Day PS2 & PS3 (9.30am – 11.30am)

06-07-26 Y6 Expressive Arts Event at Stanwell School – **Parents drop off at 9.15am and coach return to school at 12.30pm – Please consent on Parent Pay**

08-07-26 Y5 Beach School – 1.30pm – 3pm

**13-07-26 Y5 Enterprise Event – Stanwell School – Parents drop off at 9.15am and coach return to school at 12.30pm – Please consent on Parent Pay**

17-07-26 – Last day of Summer Term for all pupils

We are looking for relief Mid-Day Supervisors to cover sickness, please email the office on [office@sullyschool.co.uk](mailto:office@sullyschool.co.uk) if interested, many thanks.

### **Reporting your child's absence by 9am on the day:**

You can now report your child's absence via our new MIS system called ARBOR.

Once logged on, click on the orange box 'Quick Actions' then click attendance and then click the green box (on top right) 'Log absence' or alternatively you can email us on [office@sullyschool.co.uk](mailto:office@sullyschool.co.uk) or telephone: 02920 530377

**Please remember to cancel any pre-booked meals on Parent Pay if your child is unwell – thank you.**

### ***Free Welsh Taster Classes***

*Are you interested in learning a bit of Welsh? Aberystwyth University have free **Welsh at Home courses at Taster level** for parents and carers of children in the Vale of Glamorgan. We have a Monday evening class running from 6 - 7.30 for 5 weeks starting on the 8<sup>th</sup> of June. We also have a Wednesday morning class running from 9.30 - 11 for 5 weeks starting on 3<sup>rd</sup> June. The links to register for these free classes are here and in the attached poster:*

*Monday evening: [Monday Welsh at Home](#)*

*Wednesday morning; [Wednesday Welsh at Home](#)*

*If you need more information before registering, please contact Olwen Morus on [olm25@aber.ac.uk](mailto:olm25@aber.ac.uk).*

# Highlights of the week...

Nursery created lovely cards and drawings for the marvellous people in their lives, sharing heartfelt reasons why they love them. Their thoughtful comments brought many smiles to our faces.



Reception loved the Scoot fit session. The children helped each other to put on their helmets and knee pads. The children listened very carefully to the safety instructions. They then had a wonderful time on the scooters using their spatial awareness skills to avoid collisions. It was a wonderful fun morning in the sunshine ☀️



Year 1 DJ loved the scoot fit session. They loved whizzing around and all the singing and dancing. What a fun afternoon!



Year 1-2 had a wonderful time scootering at the start of the week. Then we've been practising for sports day. We've been busy telling the time and making a magnetic trail too.



Year 2 had a fantastic start to the week during our Scoot fit sessions 🛼 The children showed great resilience and determination in the sunshine, challenging themselves to keep going and developing their scooting skills with enthusiasm and perseverance ☀️



Year 2/3 and Year 3's highlight of the week came right at the start of the week when they enjoyed an exciting morning of scooting during their Scoot fit sessions! In the sunshine and with music playing, pupils showed fantastic bravery, determination and resilience as they practised their scooting skills and challenged themselves to try new tricks. It was wonderful to see so many smiling faces, pupils encouraging one another and everyone having lots of fun while staying active outdoors!



Year 4 have been drawing their own sustainable cities. We are now making, sawing and knotting wooden frames to add cob walls.





Year 5 have been putting their homemade parachutes to the test this week as part of their learning about forces and air resistance. The children investigated how different designs, shapes and materials affected the speed at which their parachutes fell. It was fantastic to see the variety of creative ideas and thoughtful design choices on display, with pupils carefully evaluating which parachutes created the most air resistance. Da iawn, Year 5! 🙌💡

Year 6 thoroughly enjoyed writing a descriptive paragraph based on the opening scenes of the short film Alma! ✨

Dydd Mercher 17 Mehegin  
 LO: To write the opening of a narrative, in the third person


The delicate snowflakes gilled the sky, descending with the soft gentle snow. It pattered the roofs of the buildings gently, and whirled through the air. The freezing air flowed gently down the path that Alma would soon regret making down.

The old, rundown shop was gilled with gloom. The only thing Alma could make out in the pitch black was a strange doll that looked exactly like her. The building was ancient and looked abandoned. It was as if the only thing keeping the shop awake were spirits locked inside.

Alma slipped and hopped hurriedly down the white, snowy streets, not knowing of the awful terrors that awaited her. She looked at the strange dolls with sturstruck eyes. One of them was an exact replica of her. She pushed the door with all her might, and when she finally pried it open, she was excited and joyful. She didn't know at that moment in time that she could not have made a worse decision.


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In the bright still, bright and early morning, pale white snow tumbled down to the cobblestone floor below. As the sun fell in the early morning hours, Alma wandered down the street quiet street. The elegant snowflakes fell gently into Alma's only red hat. The snow fell like angels from the white clouds above. Alma stopped, slipped and hopped hurriedly down the road, knowing of the awful terrors that awaited her. She came to a wooden shop and wrote her autograph on a wall gilled to the shop with autographs from other children. The girl called Alma felt like she was being watched. She turned her head around every step. She stopped and saw a window shop in front of her. There was a doll in the window Alma looked at it with sturstruck eyes. It was an exact replica of herself.




In the slow start of falling down snow was dancing like angels to the snow. Snow fell gently so that the clouds like snowflakes. In the sky gloomy with snow-fall and much yellow clouds.

Alma innocently had been carting through the isolated city fully unaware of the danger. She grabbed a piece of chalk and signed the autograph gilled wall after fall a heavy sense of chattering. She felt over her. A window type shop. Alma looked at the window she was consuming. Alma suddenly a doll emerged from the window-like shop. As she held chalk and then it got gilled as if she was magical inside. When she saw the doll she tipped the crystal glass. It disappeared. In a sturstruck state of shock she felt like an ice-bug. This gilled her and she felt every a psychopomp. Even a red felt shimmered through her on the ground. The doll as she looked and looked up a short while a she felt a little bit of regret. She looked at the window without a trace. She opened her eyes. She saw a doll.



LO: To write the opening of a narrative, in the third person

In the bright morning, while snow tumbled to the ground. The street became a white abyss, every step making a sound crunch. A little girl called Alma hopped playfully down the street ghost-like sheet. An empty building watched Alma carefully as she walked down the street. It was thinking it's next move to trap it's victim. Alma is the victim. Alma saw a black chalkboard with lots of other people's names so she decided to write her autograph down. She felt someone watching her. She slowly looked around. It was a doll. A doll that looked exactly like her.





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**DINAS POWYS TENNIS CLUB**  
**SUMMER CAMP**  
 10AM -3PM  
 27TH JULY-28TH AUGUST

contact  
 Rob Walbyoff 07931665431

Members £17.50  
 Non members £22.50

**Get Your Friends Playing Tennis**  
 Fun social sessions – beginners to advanced welcome

Where: Dinas Powys Tennis Club (behind the Bowls Club)

When: **Saturdays**  
 20 June + 27 June + 4 July.  
 9am to 1pm

**All rackets & balls provided, just turn up & have fun!**

Need a local venue?  
 Our refurbished clubhouse with licensed bar is available to hire

Contact: Rob 07931 665431 to book your place

**All Ages!**

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# Intensive Swim Courses

Monday - Friday

27/07/26 / 10/08/26 / 24/08/26

8:30 - Wave 5&6  
9am - Wave 4  
9:30 - Wave 3  
10am - Wave 2  
10:30 - Wave 1

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**Summer  
Holidays**

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Calling all future engineers, architects, and problem-solvers! Get ready to put your creativity and STEM skills to the test with the **Mad Science Family Challenge**.

Can you build the tallest free-standing tower using just six sheets of paper and 15cm of tape? This is your chance to experiment, explore, and compete for an amazing prize: **a FREE week at Mad Science Camp!**

This challenge is all about thinking like a scientist, testing ideas, problem-solving, and having fun as a family. Get hands-on with real-world physics, engineering, and teamwork while pushing the limits of what paper can do!

**#MadScienceFamilyChallenge**

**What You'll Need**

- 6 Sheets of A4 Paper
- 15cm Sticky Tape
- Measuring Tape

**Rules**

- Must be free standing
- No extra tape or materials
- Stand for long enough to measure!

**Guidance & Deadlines**

Please scan QR Code for correct submission deadline & competition details including terms and conditions. 1 Entry per Open Competition.

**How to Enter & Win!**

- Build your tower
- Measure it with a tape measure
- Take a photo showing its height & a proof of measurement
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# Penarth *Literary* Festival.

19 - 21 June 2026



Even if the sun is hiding this week, we're feeling the summer vibes here at Griffin Books. And of course the arrival of summer means that the festival season is almost upon us!

There are just **THREE WEEKS** until the start of **Penarth Literary Festival** and we're delighted to reveal the full programme, including additional speakers, events for children and a seminar for adults.

The Festival will run from **Friday 19 - Sunday 21 June**, with events on the Saturday and Sunday taking place in Penarth's gorgeous Belle Vue Park Pavilion, on Albert Road, just a stone's throw from the bookshop.

Book your tickets today and join us for the most delightful literary weekend!

## FRIDAY 19 JUNE

Please note the specific venues for events on Friday 19 June.



{Children's Event}

**STORYTIME** with Rhian Wright  
and Sweetpea Magee

10.30 - 11.30 am

Griffin Books, Penarth

Get ready for a splash-tastic adventure! Join children's author and illustrator Rhian Wright for a very special Festival Storytime and live draw-along to celebrate the release of her new picture book, Sweetpea Magee: Mermaid Expert.

For children aged 2-5 years.

Find Out More

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## 🌈 Summer Programme 🌈

A friendly neurodiverse youth group for young people aged 9–13 (Years 4, 5, 6 & 7)

### What is Spectrum Squad?

Spectrum Squad is a welcoming, inclusive youth group where neurodiverse young people can **be themselves**, make friends, and enjoy spending time with others who understand their experiences. We create a relaxed, supportive environment focused on **connection, confidence and fun**, especially supporting young people as they transition between primary and secondary school.

### What happens in sessions?

Each session has a **gentle theme**, with lots of **free-choice activities**, including:

- 🧱 LEGO challenges
- 🎨 Arts and crafts
- 🎮 Games and social activities
- 🍪 Making snacks
- 😌 Relaxed hang-out time

### Summer term dates

Sessions will run in Room 1 of Penarth Methodist Church, Woodland Place, Penarth, CF64 2EX from 18:15 – 19:30:

20 April ✅ First session FREE (to try it out)      11 May 📅 £30 per young person for the term

1 June      15 June

**29 June**

### Who runs Spectrum Squad?

Sessions are led by a **qualified youth worker**, supported by **trained, DBS-checked volunteers** with experience of working with neurodiverse young people.

### Want to find out more?

For a friendly, no-pressure chat, contact **Hannah Woods**

📞 07896 863174

✉️ [hannah@outofthewoods.ltd.uk](mailto:hannah@outofthewoods.ltd.uk)

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## Vale of Glamorgan – The Inclusion Service - September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers.

Welcome to the first term of the new academic year. We hope you all enjoyed a lovely summer holiday, and the children are refreshed and looking forward to a new year of learning.

We will be sending you termly newsletters via your school communication system to update you with attendance reminders, support that you can access and any updates you need to be aware of.

The Welsh Government have been clear that any child who has attendance below 90% is persistently absent from school. This means that any child with attendance below 90% in July will have missed a minimum of 19 school days.

Regular school attendance is vital to ensure your child does not miss out on lessons, support and social activities held within the school day. Missing school can also impact your child's future earnings. Data has shown that persistently absent pupils in secondary school could earn £10,000 less at age 28 compared to pupils with near-perfect attendance. For each additional day of absence between Years 7 to 11, the typical pupil could miss out on an average of £750 in future lifetime earnings.

This year, in line with other Local Authorities in Wales, any unauthorised holiday taken in term time could result in a Fixed Penalty Notice of a £60 fine per child per parent. We support schools not authorising holidays due to the impact of lost learning and the opportunity to enjoy family days in school holidays.

We have launched our new parent Padlet which will help parents/carers understand more about our service as well as what support is available if you need it. Lots of advice and guidance can also be found – please scan the QR code to access the Padlet.

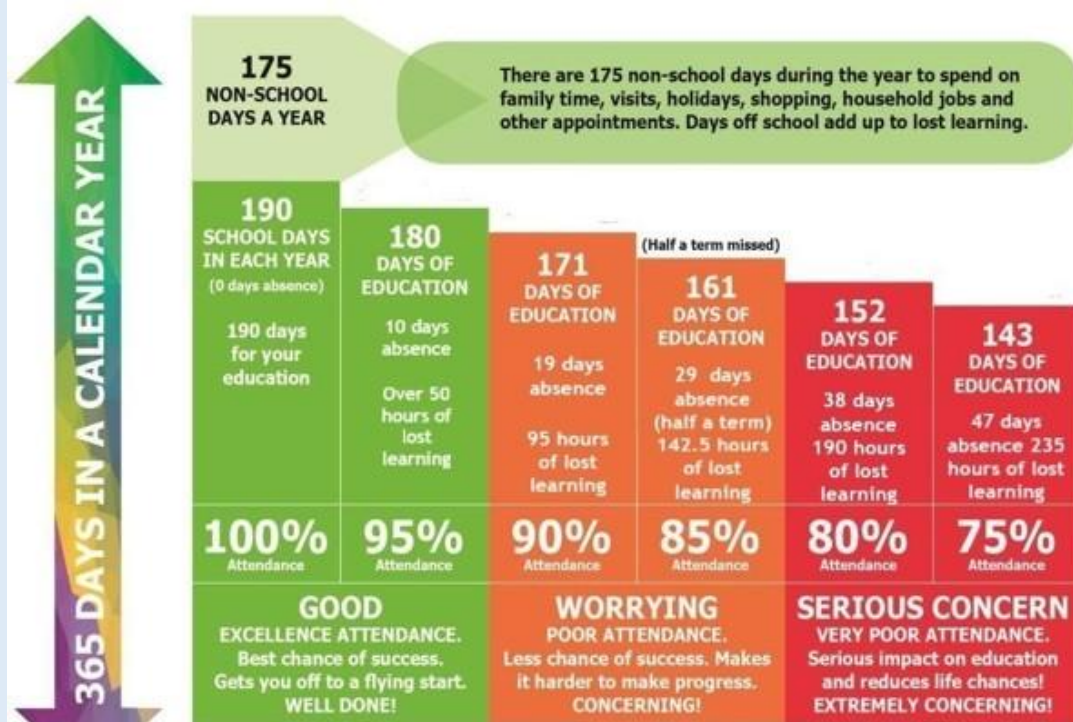


We hope your child settles into the new school year and enjoys all the lovely opportunities our schools have to offer. Don't forget to speak to your child's teacher/head of year if you have any concerns.

Best wishes

# EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Don't miss out on the education you deserve.



Good attendance means being in school at least **94%** of the time or **180-190 days**.  
**Did you know?** A two week holiday in term time means that the highest attendance you can achieve is 94.5%.



## **SINGING LESSONS**

Partner/ small group lessons in Sully Primary School during the school day, working towards exams and performances.

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